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## A REPUBLICAN PROGRAMME.

While a considerable number of persons have been talking ever since the election of what the Democratic party will do in the way of reformation and reorganization, the business sense of the country has been much more concerned as to what the administration will do. That is the live issue of the day. It is a matter of work and not of speculation, and consequently is of infinitely greater importance than any views that may be had of the future of Bryan or the menace of Bryanism.

The people of Massachusetts, with their usual practical good sense, have turned their attention to the work of the administration, and at a recent banquet of the Middlesex Club Senator Lodge was engaged to make an address upon the subject. Hardly any man can speak with more authority upon such matters than Mr. Lodge, for he is not only a Senator of force and leading but is close to the administration and doubtless knows as fully as any one outside the Cabinet the programme the administration will recommend.

Speaking of the subject generally the Senator said: "More was at stake this year than in any election since 1864, and the victory means more to the country than any political victory since that time. It is for us to deserve the trust which the people have reposed in us. We must reduce taxation by taking off war taxes wherever they can be spared. We must maintain the tariff so that our manufacturers may have stable conditions in their home market to build upon. We must maintain absolutely the gold standard, and if additional legislation is needed to strengthen it that we must pass. We must have legislation to develop and build up our merchant marine. There should be further intelligent restriction of immigration, and in the next four years the isthmian canal should be begun."

That in itself is a good programme. The country has never doubted that the administration will uphold the protective tariff and the gold standard, but it will note with gratification that the building of our merchant marine, the restriction of immigration and the prompt construction of the isthmian canal. Those great measures have already been too long delayed, and if they now be taken up and made the special work of the administration there will be general rejoicing.

The Senator was more elaborate in dealing with the trusts and with the Philippine problem. He noted that Bryan gained his strength in the Eastern States more from those issues than from anything else, and drew therefrom the conclusion that with them the Republican party must deal firmly and wisely. He outlined no particular programme of action upon either issue, but contented himself with pointing out their importance.

Of the trusts he said: "It is a great subject and will require the best thought and the highest ability which we command, for while we seek to root out and guard against evils we must not throw away advantages or by rashness bring ruin to business. It is a difficult problem, to which the Republican party must address itself seriously and at once."

Concerning the Philippines he said: "The wise recommendation of Judge Taft's commission in regard to the civil service in those islands should be embodied in the law. I have believed always and profoundly in taking the islands, in holding them and in making them the cornerstone of our power in the East; but rather than see their government made the spoil of political parties in the United States I would abandon them, for if we do not govern those islands as Americans, and not as Democrats or Republicans, and do not keep them wholly free from party politics, our rule there will make us a byword and will bring disgrace to us and misfortune to the Filipinos. Material development, honest and able government, the largest measure of liberty possible, together with a steady advance to self-government and home rule, such is and such will be, I believe, the policy of President McKinley and of the Republican party."

Such is the outcast of the work of the Republican party for the next four years. It will be received with satisfaction by all Americans who are not chronically discontented. It is a programme of progress both at home and abroad, and promises to advance the prosperity already so gratifying. It is safe to say that if the work be carried out so that four years from now the Republican party can point to immigration wisely restricted, a flourishing and increasing merchant marine, good government in the Philippines and the isthmian canal begun, it will not be difficult for the party to elect McKinley's successor and enter upon another term of power.—S. F. Call.

We have given up our editorial space this week to an able article which recently appeared in the San Francisco "Call." It is worthy of careful perusal.

## THE GOVERNOR WAS ABSENT.

The Preston School Board Did Not Act Therefore.

The Trustees of the Preston School of Industry held their regular monthly meeting at the Golden Eagle Hotel Thursday morning of last week, all the members present.

It had been rumored that the most important business of the session would be the acceptance of the resignation of David Hirschberg, present Superintendent of that institution, and the selection of his successor.

When the board convened, however, Trustee Preston stated that as Governor Gage was not in the city he favored postponing action until the Governor could be consulted as to the management of the institution, and such improvements as he might have in view for the school.

The other members of the board agreed with President Preston in the desire to have a consultation with the Governor before acting on matters pertaining to the welfare of the institution. The resignation of Major R. M. Blair as military instructor of the school was then read and filed, and Superintendent Hirschberg stated that he had appointed Captain Henry Harris, one of the oldest employees of the institution, to the position.

He stated that the resignation of Major Blair was entirely voluntary, and was caused by the fact that the latter considered it his duty to devote himself to his mother, who was prostrate with grief, her husband having lately passed away. Major Blair will succeed to the position with the Sperry Milling Company occupied by his father at the time of the latter's death.

The board then adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

It has been rumored that Governor Gage favors the appointment of Rev. Mr. Reddick of Oakland to the position of Superintendent of the school. However, no reference was made thereto at the meeting, and as far as can be ascertained the gentleman in question has never made application for the position, officially or otherwise, to any member of the board nor to the latter as a body.

It is said that applications for the position have been received from E. Carl Bank, former Superintendent of the school, and from Col. George H. A. Dimpfel, who is heavily backed with the United States army influence of the State.—Record Union.

## Korean Mining Methods.

B. A. Ogden, now of Jackson, was in Sonora this week. Since he left Tuolumne over a year ago, he has visited points of interest in China, Japan, Korea and the Philippine Islands.

His explanations of Korean mining methods are interesting. In one of the principal gold mines of that country which has been worked for several centuries, the very crudest methods are carried on. The mine is a pit six feet square and some five hundred feet deep. The vein is small and goes \$35 to the ton. To extract the ore a large fire is built until the rock is as hot as a stove. The rock is then thrown upon it causing it to crack, when the rock is beaten and pried out with heavy wooden poles. The ore is then carried to the surface on the backs of miners. The mill consists of a large round stone resting upon another one basin shaped. Four men rock this stone back and forth in this manner crush the ore. The miners receive in wages the equivalent of fifteen cents per day in American money.—Tuolumne Independent.

## DOCUMENTS RECORDED.

DEEDS.  
M. F. Cochran et ux to P. H. Cochran—An undivided interest in N 1/4 and SW 1/4 of section 34; N 1/4 of SW 1/4 and S 1/4 of section 35; S 1/4 of SE 1/4 of section 36; fraction S 1/4 of S 1/4 of section 37; and N 1/4 of section 38, in Township 9 N, Range 9 E, S 1/4 of section 34, containing 7.29 acres; also Contains Copper Mining Land, in section 34, in Township 9 N, Range 9 E, S 1/4 of section 34, containing 7.29 acres; also S 1/4 of SE 1/4 of section 28, township 8 north, range 9 east, M. D. N. 10. 40.  
M. B. Church, administrator, to B. F. Shaver—Interest of E. M. Kirtley in SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of section 29 in Township 7 north, range 10 east, containing 40 acres; \$200.  
T. J. Severns to Mrs. S. H. Hale—S 1/4 of SW 1/4 and W 1/4 of SE 1/4 of section 3, township 12 north, range 12 east, containing 100 acres; \$10.  
John N. Boardman to John Carver—A quartz mining claim in Volcano district, being at SW stake near trail from Olson's house to Blue Lake Canal; nearly 600 feet to stake; west of Olson's house; east 600 feet to stake; southerly 100 feet to stake; westerly 600 feet to beginning; \$200.

CHattel Mortgage.  
James E. Shear to D. P. Colwell—Personal property. Security for payment of a promissory note for \$200 executed on 11-30-1900.

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS.  
A. Lubenier to Martin Herzo—Bill of sale of his interest in "Louvre" Restaurant and saloon business in Jackson; \$200.  
In re estate and guardianship of A. and Daniel Massa, minors—Order directing conveyance of interest of D. Massa in a certain trust deed, and delivery of said conveyance to T. G. Gino, trustee of A. and G. D. Devore.  
Martin Herzo to A. Lubenier—Bill of sale of his interest in "Louvre" Restaurant and Saloon business in Jackson; \$150.  
A. Lubenier to Bank of Amador County—Bill of sale of his interest in "Louvre" Restaurant and Saloon business in Jackson; \$275.

SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGES.  
Recent acknowledged by G. Buonomini of \$200 in part satisfaction of mortgage executed by G. Buonomini et ux—Part of lot 8 of the SE 1/4 of section 30, township 12 north, range 12 east, S 1/4 of section 30, containing 100 acres; \$10.  
Satisfaction acknowledged by Margaret Blackwell, mortgage executed by Mrs. D. Boitano mortgage; mortgage executed by R. Boitachetti et ux—Lot 2, block 6, Sutter Creek; \$100.  
Satisfaction acknowledged by W. J. McGee, mortgage executed by H. E. and Mary F. Foster—130 acres in S 2, T 7 N, R 10 E.  
Receipt acknowledged by J. R. Trelogan of \$50 in part satisfaction of a mortgage executed by J. A. Hickey—Land in S 34, T 8 N, R 10 E; M. D. N.

WATER RIGHT.  
Emelle S. Gordon and S. Fordin to The Public—Notice of right to appropriate and use 100,000 inches of water from Mokelumne river at point 100 feet below Westmoreland bridge.

ATTACHMENT.  
W. W. Whitney vs Martha E. Odell—Her interest in land in S 31, T 8 N, R 13 E. Demand \$100.  
SHERIFF'S CERTIFICATE OF SALE ON EXECUTION  
U. S. Gregory to E. S. Potter—Suit of S. K. Thornton vs Edwin K. Alsip—Lot on Main st., Plymouth.

TRUST DEEDS AND RECEIVANCES.  
Satisfaction acknowledged of a trust deed executed by G. B. and A. Devore to Amador Massa, Giovanni Marchetti et ux to Pacific States S. L. Co.—Land in Sutter Creek. Consideration \$1000.  
F. Reis et al to Jackson Dennis—Partial conveyance of lot 15 of Dennis' addition.  
Amador Massa et al to Theresa Giusio—Reconveyance of 300 acres in S 15, T 6 N, R 11 E; \$1.  
Theresa Giusio et al to Pacific States S. L. Co.—Same; \$550.

M. E. Church Services.  
Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school, 2 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:45 p. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday, 7:30. F. A. Morrow, pastor.

Men's good working shoes at \$1.00 at the Red Front Clearance Sale.

Good toweling, 25 yards for \$1.00 at the Red Front Clearance Sale.

10-16-1f

## Church Notice.

St. Augustine's Mission, room situated on Court street. Services as follows: Every 1st and 3d Sunday, services at 11 a. m. Every 2d and 4th Sunday, services at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school every Sunday at 3 p. m. The Young Peoples' Society of Spiritual Growth will meet every Sunday, at 6:30 p. m. W. WILLIAM TUSON, Rector.

## The Finest Building Lots.

Remember that W. P. Peek has the finest building lots for sale in Jackson. Terms easy. See display advertisement in this paper. 3-2-1f

## What Is Shiloh?

A grand old Remedy for Coughs, Colds and Consumption; used through the world for half a century, has cured innumerable cases of incipient consumption and relieved many in advanced stages. If you are not satisfied with the results we will refund your money. Price, 25c. 50c and \$1. For sale by A. Goldner the Druggist.

Swiss cheese at A. B. Caminetti's Central Market. Oct. 19-1m.

The best calico, 25 yards for \$1.00, at the Red Front Clearance Sale.

10-16-1f

Ladies, good dress shoes at \$1.15 at the Red Front Clearance Sale.

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Soused pig's feet at Caminetti's Central Market. Oct. 19-1m.

We handle all kinds of building lumber, and the quality and price makes ready sale for it. Call at Amador County Flour Mills, Ione. 8-24f

The reason physicians always recommend Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey is because they know of its absolute purity. Twenty yards bestingham for \$1 at the Red Front Clearance Sale.

10-16-1f

When that tired feeling comes over you, drink Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey.

Men's good dress shoes at \$1.00 at the Red Front Clearance Sale.

10-16-1f

## Notice to Creditors.

ESTATE OF GEORGE KEPHART, DECEASED.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned, administrators of the estate of George Kephart, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice to the undersigned, at the law office of J. W. Caldwell, well, Jackson, Amador County, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, in said county of Amador.  
Dated, November 30, 1900.  
MRS. MARTHA SLAVICH,  
Administratrix of the estate of George Kephart deceased.  
J. W. CALDWELL, Atty. for Adm., nov-30-1900

## Notice for Publication of Time for Probate of Will.

In the Superior Court of the County of Amador, State of California. In the matter of the estate of Joseph Cassinelli, deceased. Notice for publication of time appointed for probate of will.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Tuesday, the 4th day of December A. D. 1900, at ten o'clock a. m. of that day, and the Court House, in the County of Amador, State of California, have been appointed as the time and place for proving the will of said Joseph Cassinelli deceased, and for hearing the application of Angelo Cassinelli for the issuance of letters of administration with the will annexed.  
Seal) By B. R. Brame, Deputy Clerk.  
J. W. CALDWELL, Attorney for Petitioner.  
Dated Jackson, Cal., Nov. 15, A. D. 1900. 3t

## Holiday Opening.

Santa Claus will be ready with his large display of Holiday Goods at the E. G. Freeman Co. on Dec. 1st, 1900. We haven't space here to enumerate the different articles.

Call in and inspect our stock before purchasing elsewhere. You can't help to find what you want. We guarantee that the prices and quality of goods will suit you.

E. G. FREEMAN CO.

## Peek's Addition

Choice lots in this sightly Addition for sale on terms to suit your own sack. Buy at once and secure the best. This is the coming Nob Hill of Jackson.

W. P. Peek, Owner, Jackson. 3-2-1f

## Read Those Startling Books

TRAFFIC IN GIRLS

And Work of Rescue Missions

TRAFFIC IN OPIUM

Or the Chinese and their White Slaves

TRAFFIC IN BABIES

Or the Wall of the Children

By Charlton Edholm, Oakland, Cal.

## Many a Lover

Has turned with disgust from an otherwise lovable girl with an offensive breath. Kari's Clover Root Tea purifies the breath by its action on the bowels, etc., as nothing else will. Sold for years on absolute guarantee. Price 25c and 50c. For sale by A. Goldner, the Druggist.

Peek's Addition now open for the sale of lots. These resident lots are the cream of the town. They are in town virtually, and yet up out of the dust and dirt. They are cheap. 3-2-1f

Bread makers prefer it to all other brands—the Peerless lino flour. 8-24

Good thread at 2 cents a spool at the Red Front Clearance Sale. 10-16-1f

## BORN.

MAGUIRE.—In Mokelumne Hill, Nov. 19, 1900, to the wife of J. B. Maguire, a son.

## DIED.

FASSERO.—At the Mokelumne Hill, Nov. 29, 1900, Giacomo (James) Fassero, aged about 34 years, a native of Italy.

PEEK.—In Visalia, Cal., Nov. 26, 1900, Henry A. Peek, aged 40 years, a native of California.

## Commissioner's Sale of Real Estate.

In the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Amador. W. J. Nettie et al, plaintiffs, vs. Clinton Consolidated Gold Mining Company, et al, defendants.

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER of sale with a judgment and decree of foreclosure, issued out of the Superior Court of the County of Amador, State of California, on the 26th day of November, 1900, in and for the County of Amador, State of California, do hereby sell, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described premises, to-wit: The northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section four, and the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section nine, in township six, north of range twelve east, Mt. D. B. & M., containing 160 acres.

Also those certain quartz mines and mining claims embraced and described in Mineral Entry No. 1403, and designated in the United States Government, as lot No. 50 and lot No. 51, respectively, being that mining claim known as the "Original Faugh" and "Union Consolidated Quartz Mine," situated in section 9, in township 6, north of range 12, east, Mt. D. B. & M. Said Faugh claim as entered embracing 8.03 acres, and said Union claim 14.57 acres in the Clinton Mining District, County of Amador, and State of California, as shown by the survey thereof.

Also that certain twenty-stamp quartz mill, steam engine and water power attached thereto, and eight fine concentrators therein, now upon said mines and premises hereinabove described.

Also all mill sites and mill privileges, and all water rights and easements appurtenant and appertaining thereto.

Also the boarding-house, office dwellings, blacksmith shop, all tracks and track iron, cables, cars, tools and mining implements therein and thereon.

Also the mill site upon which the said mill is located; together with all dikes, spurs, aqueducts, and also all ores, gold and silver-bearing quartz rock and earth thereon, and all the rights, privileges and franchises thereto incident appurtenant and appertaining thereto usually had and enjoyed, and also all and singular the rights, claims, demands and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining.

Public notice is hereby given that on SATURDAY, the 2nd day of DECEMBER, 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, at the Court House of the County of Amador, at Jackson, Amador County, California, I will in obedience to said order of sale and decree of foreclosure sell the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to raise sufficient money to satisfy said judgment with interest, costs, and accruing costs, to the highest and best bidder for cash in gold coin of the United States.

Dated, Jackson, Nov. 29th, 1900.

L. J. FONTENROSE,

A Commissioner appointed by the Superior Court.

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Redlick's—The only store here about that persistently cuts prices.

AS A MATTER OF FACT the very worst thing this store could do is to give you a bad bargain. We are building up a big business—trying in every possible way to save you money—by your enduring friendship, we hope to prosper, and it is only by giving you worthy, standard goods for less money than anyone else that we ask for your kind patronage.

HERE IS SOME EXCELLENT NEWS—WE INTEND TO SELL TOYS AT CUT PRICES.

Not alone that, but we will show the biggest and best bought assortment ever brought to this town—we will name prices so low that you will believe they are unreal—but just delay your toy buying until we announce ready, then we will save you money.

WET WEATHER SHOES That is the story this week, and as usual it is a tale of low pricing—we know the kinds of shoes you need, and we know where to get them so as to sell them cheaper than any one else—come here expecting more than you can find in any other store, that's all we ask.

Women's Goodyear Welt, with soft vici kid uppers, broad extension soles with yellow stitching, kid tops, new lasts, \$4 shoes for. \$3.25

Women's Dongola Kid Button or Lace, low heel, patent leather tips, kid or vesting top, good value for \$2.00, this week for. \$1.35

Children's Dongola Kid, spring heel, button or lace, kid or vesting tops, \$1.25 shoes, for. 98c

MEN'S CLOTHING—You can find "cheap clothing" in almost any store, but the kind of clothing you will find here is "good clothing" at a cheap price—a big difference when it comes to saving money in your clothing buying. Take a trip around the town, get prices from other stores, then come here—that's the way to tell how much good we can do you.

Men's All Wool Cheviot Suits, heavily woven wales, every detail of finish that comes in made-to-order clothing, best of linings, double stayed seams. These garments are sold elsewhere for \$10, yours for \$8.45

Men's Raglan Overcoats, in the latest shade of oxford grey, heavy fancy striped serge lining, large velvet collar, cheap for \$12.50, this week. \$9.95

WOMEN'S HOSIERY We took a big lot from an importer who had too many; took enough for our four big California stores; your share is here now—and at these little prices:

Heavy Marco Black Hose, cheap for 15c, this week. 10c

Children's Heavy Ribbed, spliced knees, a 25c grade for. 19c

WOMEN'S READY-MADE SKIRTS Ours are good ones stylishly made. It is just as easy to get the right style from us for less money than it is to get one out of date somewhere else and pay more.

Black Figured Mohair, good lining, cut full and long, sold elsewhere for \$2.00, here for \$1.74

Rainy Day Skirts, the popular, sensible garment for wet weather, a \$4.00 skirt, for. \$2.50

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Omaha	11 50	12 00
Deutsche	25 00	25 00
Dutch (Tuolumne Co.)	25 00	25 00
Sundrum	25 00	25 00
Lancet	25 00	25 00
Golovin Bay	2 00	2 00
Garibaldi	1 00	1 00
Nome-Avill	15 00	15 00
Puerfless	15 00	15 00
Kirkwood	25 00	25 00
Badger	25 00	25 00
Mutual Mining Co.	1 00	1 00
Zealandia	30 00	30 00
Central Europa	1 25	1 25
South Euroland	20 00	20 00
Argonaut	4 00	4 00

OIL STOCKS.

Century, Kern River District.	50
Penn. Kern River District.	40
Trojan	40
Dunsmuir Oil Co.	40
Panchocho Oil	35
Little Standard Oil	45
McFadyen Oil Co.	50
Diamond Star	25
S. O. Oil & Mining Co.	06
Jewett, Blodet & Beale	12
Meridian Oil Co.	12
Dyer Creek Oil	05
Ophir	05
Juanita	05
Nevada Oil Co.	05
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Notice to Creditors.

ESTATE OF HENRY WHITTING, DECEASED.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE undersigned, executrix of the last will and testament of Henry Whitting, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice to the said executrix, at the law office of W. J. McGee and F. L. Stewart, Marella Building, Court St., Jackson, Amador county, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate, in said County of Amador.  
Dated, October 12, 1900.  
REBECCA N. WHITTING,  
Executrix of the last will of Henry Whitting deceased.  
Oct. 12-19-30-Nov. 3-9-11

Notice of sale of Real Estate at Private Sale.

UNDER AUTHORITY OF AN ORDER of sale granted by the Superior Court of the County of Amador, State of California, dated October 13, 1900, I will sell at private sale the following described real estate:

That certain house and lot situate in the town of Sutter Creek, Amador County, State of California, and more fully described as follows: Lot No. 1 in Block No. 16 as set forth on the official map of the townsite of said town of Sutter Creek, now on file in the office of the County Recorder of said County; said sale will be made on or after Monday, the 8th day of November, 1900, and bids will be received at the office of John F. Davis, Summit street, Jackson, California. Terms of sale, ten per cent cash at the time of sale, balance upon confirmation by this Court.  
Dated, October 19, 1900.

REY E. HAWKINS,



## WORK OF PICK AND SHOVEL

## Doings at the Modoc and Defender Mines.

## EXCELLENT REPORT FROM THE DEL MONTE

## Finding Nuggets.—The Hexter Mine Bonded.—Several Bodies of Ore Uncovered.

**Peerless—Jackson.**  
The Peerless shaft is down 535 feet. During the past week a good, black, gray slate has been encountered, which is well mineralized. Those interested are much pleased over the encouraging prospects.

**Kirkwood—Jackson.**  
Everything is in readiness at the Kirkwood mine, and on Dec. 1 (to-morrow) sinking will begin.

**Zelle—Jackson.**  
The mill at the Zelle mine is temporarily closed down, pending the repairing of the shaft.

**Del Monte Mine.**  
Last report from the Del Monte mine says that the 900 foot tunnel has been completed to the shaft, striking it at a depth of about 200 feet. Here was found a drift of 25 feet east, on the ledge, showing three feet of excellent rock. As soon as the promoters get enough stock placed to insure the success of the present company, a new hoist will be put on, and sinking begun, which will be carried down to 500 feet. Then drifts will be run east and west on the ledge, and stopping commenced. With a good ten-stamp mill ready to crush the rock, as fast as it can be gotten out, the prospects are extremely inviting, and investors might do worse than to investigate the Del Monte, and give the promoters a lift. Mr. Geo. I. Wright of Jackson, is Secretary of the Company, and will receive subscriptions for stock. Go and see him.

**Modoc—Volcano.**  
Work on the Modoc property is being done to the entire satisfaction of its promoters. By extending the tunnel and making an upraise the shaft was struck, thereby releasing the large body of water that had gathered in the shaft. Truman Schenck, who has charge of the Modoc, had surveyed the underground workings several times, and the result showed that the surveys were accurate. The center of the bottom of the shaft was struck with a drill. Important results are expected at the Modoc within a few weeks. Some years ago excellent ore was taken from a chute in the shaft which is less than 70 feet deep. There are four ore chutes in the mine, and rock has been taken from one of them that has assayed \$60 per ton.

**Defender—West Point.**  
There has been a discord at the Defender mine that has caused the laying off of the force. Joseph Jacobs, one of those interested in the property, came up from San Francisco last Saturday evening to adjust matters of importance to the company. He was instructed by Dr. Talcott, the principal owner of the Defender, to put six men to work one day, that the requirements of the bond may be carried out. It is said that \$100,000 is at the disposal of the company.

## CALAVERAS COUNTY.

**Citizen:** A Chinaman who goes by the name of Ah Lum is reported to have found a nugget of gold on Coyote Creek last week that sold for \$208.

Good news is reported from the Lloyd gravel mine, on Central Hill, this week. The property is owned by the Lloyd's of San Andreas, but is under bond to Mr. Palmer an Oakland gentleman. A shaft has been sunk to a depth of 210 feet, and for some weeks drifting has been going on in a westerly direction from the shaft in search of the old channel. A few days ago six feet of gravel was struck, and it is supposed to be rich. Thousands of dollars were taken out of the old Union shaft, adjoining the Lloyd mine, several years ago, and the gravel beds have always proved rich in gold in this vicinity. In consequence all those connected with the Lloyd are in good spirits. At present twelve men are employed on eight-hour shifts and steam power is used for hoisting and pumping. A large new pump has recently been installed in the mine and works admirably. A large quantity of wood is being purchased by Mr. Palmer at the present time.

The Flamm boys have struck a fine quartz prospect on Central Hill. This section has always been noted as a gravel country and thousands of dollars have been taken from the old channels. Little attention has been paid to quartz but the Flamm's say what they thought were good indications and sunk a shaft forty feet deep on the vein. They struck a black gouge at that depth, with plenty of black slate, which always indicates good ore. It is said that some of the rock assays as high as \$40 a ton.

In Chilli Gulch, Manuel Munes and M. A. Kiser have a good quartz mine. It consists of a north and south vein averaging twelve feet in width and an east and west vein averaging two feet in width. Recent assays of the rock resulted in showing \$11 per ton in free gold and \$35.05 in sulphurets. The mine was bonded this week to L. Curran Clark of San Francisco, for 2 years for \$3000. Of this sum \$1000 must be paid before the expiration of twelve months. A force of men will be engaged and work commenced immediately by Mr. Clark.

**Chronicle:** The Hexter mine has been bonded to Bryan Jennings & Co., of San Francisco, who will soon start up work by driving the tunnel into the channel. The tunnel is now in 1400 feet and 600 feet yet remain to be pierced before the channel will be reached.

When the channel shall have been cut, immensely rich gravel will be found. Some \$50,000 has been so far expended on the property; less than \$10,000 more will suffice to drive the tunnel into the channel. This company owns some two miles of the old Corral Flat channel which is known to be very rich, several million dollars having been taken from a tract less than two thousand feet in extent, by the early miners. The influx of water is claimed as the reason that work ceased on the channel. The Hexter tunnel will effectively drain it.

Col. Robinson has completed the assessment work on the Monte Carlo mine for the year, and is now doing the assessment work on the Keystone mine, which property is the extension, on the north, of the Esperanza mine.

The Sheep Ranch mine has given proof that has satisfied the management to enter into more extensive improvements, to better facilitate work and cheapen operations. Using electricity as a motive power will do much toward this end in view. Wood is becoming scarce and expensive, and the connection with the Utica plant above town, (the wires now being placed in position) is a move in the right direction and will prove a remunerative venture.

W. D. Pinkston, the Lone Star contractor, and his crew of men, left for their homes in Placer county last Saturday. Superintendent A. Pugh of the Farrington Gold Mining Company, the owners of the Lone Star, arrived here Friday and work under the contract was stopped that evening. Work in the mine will be continued under the management of Mr. Pugh.

## TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

**Independent:** A rich shoot of ore has been uncovered in the Standard mine, which is a parallel vein to the Draper, at a depth of about thirty feet.

Operations have commenced sinking a double compartment shaft at the Parole mine situated near Suleyville. W. H. Barron is president of the company opening the mine.

A force of about sixteen men are employed at the Draper mine, where sinking is now in progress. Everything looks very encouraging at this property. New pumps have been put in to handle the water and a mill is in course of construction. At the Star Ling mine, operated by the same company, a new mill is also being built.

Another rich shoot of ore has been struck in the Golden West mine. Machinery for a ten-stamp mill is now being hauled to this property. A double compartment shaft will soon be commenced, when it is the intention to sink to a depth of 1000 feet.

Albert Baier, while doing a little development work on the Independence, where he has sunk to a depth of about forty feet, brought in a quantity of very rich rock today—that is, the rock is of a good character and showed an abundance of free gold.

The heavy rains this week have proved a bonanza to the gold hunters and a number of lucky finds are reported. It is not every city whose streets are paved with gold bearing rock, but Sonora claims that distinction. Ed. Shaw picked up a specimen in front of the Hotel Victoria this week, which contained between \$20 and \$30 in gold. B. Meyer found a small piece containing about \$4, and other smaller amounts have been found. The City Trustees for the past few weeks have been having Washington street paved with rock from the dump of the Bonanza mine. This mine has produced over a million dollars, which fact led to a close scrutiny of the newly paved street after the rain had washed it clean.

## FROM AUKUM.

**AUKUM, Nov. 26, 1900.**  
On Wednesday evening of last week, Mr. Rube Upston and Miss Lizzie Andrews of Shenandoah Valley, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buckner, at Mt. Aukum. After the ceremony congratulations were received from relatives present. The party then dined just to a sumptuous wedding dinner. On Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Upston returned to Shenandoah Valley where they will make their future home.

Mr. Monsee and family, who have been living at Coyote Valley for the last six years, have moved to Sutter Creek, where they will take charge of a boarding house.

Laura Votaw, of Evening Shade, visited Mrs. Seeley Sunday.

Grace Wilson is staying with Mrs. Joe Wrigglesworth this week.

Mrs. Lizzie Vance is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryant.

The Pigeon Creek school closed last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bell visited Mr. and Mrs. Burns Saturday and Sunday.

None Hile of Plymouth, paid Aukum a visit Sunday last.

## SUPERIOR COURT.

**Estate of G. Boichegrain.**—Trial completed and submitted to jury. Jury out one hour. Verdict in favor of contestant.

**Estate of Robert J. Adams.**—Order appointing Elizabeth Adams administratrix upon filing bond of \$10,000.

**Guardianship of Antonio Massa et al, minors.**—Order to execute a reconveyance.

**Estate of Henry Whitting.**—Affidavit of publication of notice to creditors.

**Estate of Frederick Werner.**—Affidavit of publication of notice to creditors.

**Guardianship of Florence.**—Order of appointment of guardian.

**Minor—Return of sale of real estate.**—One-third interest in certain lot owned by Earl Freeman, a minor—Return of sale of real estate.

**Ann Evans vs. E. E. Hoffmann.**—Action for divorce. Trial and decree of divorce granted.

**Lulu M. Jones vs. John W. Jones.**—Action for divorce. Trial and decree of divorce granted.

**The East Central Eureka Mining Co. vs. Central Eureka Mining Co.**—Motion for continuance of trial. People vs. S. A. Marchant—Charged with grand larceny. On trial before the following jury: J. H. Smith, J. E. Budd, J. E. Dorrance, C. M. Meek, A. W. Kimball, D. Brown, J. Black, H. G. Smith, H. Woodford, W. Felker, J. Barton, S. Williams. Case submitted and found not guilty.

## Tell Your Sister

A beautiful complexion is an impossibility without good pure blood, the sort that only exists in connection with good digestion, healthy liver and bowels. Karl's Clover Root Tea acts directly on the bowels, liver and kidneys, keeping them in perfect health. Price, 25c and 50c. For sale by A. Golden, Druggist.

## A Dreadful Accident.

About 9 o'clock yesterday (Thursday) morning, Giacomo (James) Fassero of Jackson Gate, was instantly killed in the Onaida mine. He and another miner were at the 300 level putting a tank, and Fassero stepped to the shaft to ring for the skip to stop at that level to allow his companion to ascend. This was the last seen of him until pieces of his body were found in the shaft and the sump 1700 feet below. It is believed that the ascending skip caught him and dragged him up the shaft a few feet, killing him instantly, the dead body then falling to the sump below. A piece of his shirt and some blood were found on the skip when it reached the mouth of the shaft.

Deceased leaves a wife and seven children in Jackson Gate and two brothers in the state of Washington. He was a member of the Italian Benevolent Society, the Druids and the Foresters. He was about 34 years of age, a native of Italy, and had resided in this country 15 years. The funeral will be held next Sunday, probably at 10 o'clock a. m. The bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire community.

## Funeral of Henry A. Peek.

The funeral of the late Henry A. Peek, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Peek of this place, was held at the family residence at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, Rev. F. A. Morrow officiating. There were a number of beautiful floral offerings, and the remains were followed to the tomb by many people, among them several old and prominent citizens. Deceased was born at Mokelumne Hill, Oct. 6, 1860, and died in Visalia, Nov. 26, 1900. The relatives of deceased have the sympathy of the community.

## Dr. Herbert Hatch.

Dr. Hatch, who practiced his profession in Jackson a few years ago—1896 and 7—and who cut rather a wide swath just before he left, is now contract physician for the government at Rampart, Alaska. He and ex-governor McGraw of the state of Washington own valuable mining claims, the income from which amounted to over \$80,000 last year. Dr. Hatch is as steady as a clock and fast accumulating a fortune. Mrs. Hatch has grown very stout in the frozen north, and now weighs 250 pounds. Ex-Governor McGraw is at present Gold Commissioner at Cape Nome.

## Not Guilty.

The second trial of Samuel A. Marchant was held before Superior Judge R. C. Rust on Monday and Tuesday of this week.

At about 5 o'clock Tuesday evening, the case went to the jury, and in less than an hour a verdict of "not guilty" was rendered. The first ballot was ten to two, favoring acquittal, and the second ballot was unanimous.

McGee, Stewart and Crocker were Marchant's attorneys.

Marchant's parents have been with him for several days.

## Terrible Accident.

The accident that occurred during the Stanford-Berkeley football game at San Francisco yesterday, resulted in the death of 22 and injury of 53 people. Another report says 17 were killed and 84 injured. According to one report, the injured were on the roof of a glass factory which percolated them into tanks of boiling liquid of some kind. Another account says the grand stand gave way.

## Card of Thanks.

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks and deepest gratitude to the friends and neighbors who so kindly sympathized with and aided us at the funeral of our dear departed one.

E. P. VANDAMANT.  
LINCOLN VANDAMANT.  
MAUD VANDAMANT.  
Jackson, Nov. 27, 1900.

## Barber Shop For Sale.

A first-class barbershop, well equipped and with a good trade, for sale cheap. This shop is located in a mining town in Amador county, and is a rare bargain for some one. Call or address.

LEDGER OFFICE,  
Jackson, Cal.  
Nov. 30-1mo.

## \$10 Reward

I will give the above reward for the apprehension of the parties who shot and took away the large Brahma rooster on the hill back of my place in South Jackson on Monday, Nov. 26, between 12 and 1 o'clock.

R. RUGNE,  
Nov. 30-1t.

## A Floral Tribute.

The Jackson Republican Club sent a beautiful floral piece—a broken column—to be placed on the grave of the late Thomas Cunningham, who was buried in Stockton yesterday. The Club also mailed a letter of condolence to the relatives.

## Sick Headaches.

The curse of overworked womanhood, and quickly and surely cured by Karl's Clover Root Tea, the great blood-purifier and tissue-builder. Money refunded if not satisfactory. Price, 25c and 50c. For sale by A. Golden, the Druggist.

## Uncalled-for Letters.

Letters remaining unclaimed in the Jackson, Cal., Postoffice, for the week ending November 30, 1900:

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## Masquerade Ball.

Do not forget that Ursula Parlor No. 1, N. D. G. W., will give a masquerade ball in Webb Hall on New Year's eve. Prepare for the event of the season.

## Young Mothers.

Croup is the terror of thousands of young mothers, because its outbreak is so agonizing and frequently fatal. Shiloh's Cough and Consumption Cure acts like magic in cases of Croup. It has never been known to fail. The worst cases relieved immediately. Price, 25c and 50c. For sale by A. Golden, the Druggist.

## TOM CUNNINGHAM'S DEATH

## Ex-Sheriff of San Joaquin County.

## HIS LIFE AS A CITIZEN AND AS AN OFFICER

## Death Made Its Claim at Tuttletown Early Monday Morning of This Week.

Thomas Cunningham, ex-Sheriff of San Joaquin county, died suddenly at Tuttletown, Tuolumne county, at about 5 o'clock Monday morning, Nov. 26, of apoplexy. The word, when received in local official circles this afternoon and among the old residents of his home, caused a deeper sensation than any similar occurrence has ever produced. Down town the news spread like wild-fire and was the subject of conversation on all lips. Ex-Sheriff Cunningham died virtually without a word of warning. He had arisen and eaten his breakfast at about 4:30 o'clock preparatory to going to Sonora to attend a big Republican ratification meeting there. He was in company with Hon. S. M. Shortridge and Assemblyman Ralston, recently elected. According to the report received early this morning, they had boarded a carriage and had driven a short distance, when Mr. Cunningham said: "I must get out boys, I'm choking."

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During the recent campaign ex-Sheriff Cunningham was manager of the successful campaign of Congressman S. D. Woods.—Stockton Record.

met with in man. His influence was very large, from the confidence and respect placed in his word and from the success of his undertakings. His utter truthfulness and honesty, as well as his kind-heartedness were attributes which drew to him men of all shades of belief and his friendship to men who were loyal was proverbial. In fact, Tom Cunningham was a man among men and a figure perhaps as prominent as any in the State.

## INCIDENT OF KIND-HEARTEDNESS.

In his long career as Sheriff his traits showed themselves to great advantage. He was never known to kill a man, although the opportunities offered were many. Several years ago in the Livermore valley, he encountered a life-terminator who had escaped from the penitentiary, stolen a horse and was making good his escape. Sheriff Cunningham was out after him and was in a buggy alone when he saw his man coming down the road. He ordered the man to stop, but the fugitive put the spurs to his mount and took a fence along the road. Sheriff Cunningham leveled his shotgun and shot the horse. The man escaped, although he could have been killed. The Sheriff came back to Stockton, saying he would get his man the next morning, which he did.

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## LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

**News of the Week Issued in a Condensed Form.**

**One flour is Peerless.** 6-22-tf

**A. J. Crain and M. Leach of Plymouth, were in Jackson Wednesday.**

**R. W. Bell, piano tuner, recommended by Sherman, Clay & Co., will be here in a few days. Leave orders at the Globe Hotel.**

**Men's good pants at \$1.00 at the Red Front Clearance Sale.** 10-16-tf

**Mrs. J. W. Neal of the Experiment Station is visiting her parents in Los Angeles.**

**Pioneer Flour is the "Lily of the Valley," the "Pearl of Perfection."**

**Henry Eudey, President of the Bank of Amador County, made a business trip to San Francisco this week.**

**S. M. Pauley of Circle City, Alaska, is registered at the New National.**

**Pauley exhibits a quantity of Cape Nome sand which he brought with him.**

**Best bleached sheeting at 15 cents a yard at the Red Front Clearance Sale.** 10-16-tf

**D. Gutmann, of the Sheep Ranch mine, was registered at the New National on Monday.**

**The kingbolt of Strohm's ice wagon broke while being drawn up Main street last Saturday afternoon.**

**Neither driver nor horses were injured. The wagon was soon repaired.**

**Give us daily some good bread. Pioneer Flour makes the best.** 4-6-tf

**Sheriff U. S. Gregory went to Stockton, Wednesday morning to attend the funeral of the late ex-Sheriff Thomas Cunningham.**

**Absolutely the best in the market—One flour.** 8-24tf

**John Wagner of Tuolumne county, returned from Alaska last week, having sold his claim there, so we are informed, for \$10,000.**

**Ladies' and men's tennis flannel night shirts at 75 cents at the Red Front Clearance Sale.** 10-16-tf

**Representative-elect Fred L. Stewart went to San Francisco yesterday. He will be absent about ten days.**

**Miss Annie Cook of Amador City visited friends in South Jackson last week.**

**Baby's shoes at 20 cents at the Red Front Clearance Sale.** 10-16-tf

**Extensive preparations are being made for the bazaar to be given in the interest of the M. E. church in Love Hall, Dec. 21st and 22d. Don't forget the dates.**

**Do not forget the Big Sale at the Red Front will continue one week longer.** 10-16-tf

**Miss Agnes Filipina of San Andreas, visited friends and relatives in Jackson before part of the week.**

**"What caused your wife to have those black lines under her eyes?" will be the evening subject at the M. E. church Sunday, Dec. 2d. "There are no atheists in hell," the morning subject.**

**You can always get strictly first-class fresh fish the year round at A. B. Cammett's Central Market.** 6-8-tf

**Mrs. J. A. Bennetts, of Amador City, accompanied by Miss Vincent, of San Jose, visited with friends in Jackson a day or two this week.**

**The favorite of favorites—Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey.**

**Morning prayer and communion will be celebrated at St. Augustine's Mission on Court street, next Sunday, Dec. 2d, at 11 a. m.**

**Go to the Jackson Shoe Store in Webb building, for your up-to-date shoes. We guarantee all goods sold by us.**

**With each pair of shoes sold we will give a ticket which entitles you to one chance on a fine dress shoe to be given away Christmas eve. Jackson Shoe Store**

**One is noted for several good things, but more especially for the best flour in the market—try Peerless.** 8-24tf

## THE BOICHEGRAIN CASE.

**A Bitter Court Fight Over the Will of Gustave Boichegrain.**

Late last Saturday afternoon, the jury which tried the Boichegrain will contest, brought in a verdict against the will.

Gustave Boichegrain was an old Frenchman, who lived a few miles outside of the town of Ione, and had neither kith nor kin in the world, save an aged brother, who resides at Versailles, France.

This brother has a large income of his own, and as appears, from his deposition on file, is a man of comfortable circumstances, and has no family, other than his wife.

The brothers had not written to each other for ten years.

During Boichegrain's last sickness, he was attended by Dr. A. L. Adams, who had been his physician for many years, and was taken care of by Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Mayes, who were at that time conducting the "Mayes Hotel" at Ione.

Boichegrain died at the hotel, Nov. 12, 1899. After his death the last of the deceased was filed in the Superior Court of the county by Jacob Surface, the person named therein as executor; on the 5th day of December, the will, on the testimony of Geo. H. Cordy and Ferdinand Burg, was admitted to probate.

The will gave J. W. and Jacob Surface \$1500, R. C. and L. G. Mayes, \$1500, Dr. A. L. Adams \$1500 and the remainder of the estate to the brother in France.

J. W. Surface was the most intimate friend that the deceased had, and for over 25 years he attended to almost all of Boichegrain's business affairs.

The estate amounted to \$9200 which was converted into cash and was ready for distribution on April 19, 1900, when one Samuel J. Brun and one J. R. Aitken of San Francisco appeared in open court, and upon behalf of the brother, filed a contest to the will.

They showed no authority from the brother.

Surface, Mayes and Adams answered the contest denying every material allegation set up by the contestant, and the issues joined were tried last week.

Nine questions were submitted to the jury—the first seven relating to the execution of the will and the mental condition of the testator, and the last two, as to whether undue influence was exercised by Surface, Mayes and Adams.

The jury answered that the will was not legally executed, that the testator was of unsound mind and that undue influence was used.

In contests to wills, the verdict of the jury is a special verdict, the jury finding on the facts only, and the Court draws the legal conclusions and enters judgment. The Court determines whether the verdict is supported by the evidence and shall be accepted or not.

Four witnesses were called for the contestant and two depositions read.

The only witnesses contestants produced on insanity were Ed. Mullen, J. Hardenberg and Leona Veerkamp; they simply said that on one occasion before the will was made, they did not think Boichegrain was of sound mind.

Against this testimony, W. A. Bennetts, E. W. Perkins, F. Seguin, J. E. Kelly, Mrs. John Tuohy, Lee Martin, C. R. Downs and G. A. Gordon testified that the deceased was of sound mind; so did Messrs. Surface, Mayes and Adams.

The only evidence of undue influence was that of Mrs. Mary Crowley, who testified that two days before Boichegrain died, she was in a room next to that of the deceased, listening, and heard Surface and Adams talking to the deceased about making his will.

In contradiction to this, M. Hammer the Ione merchant, testified that Dr. Adams was treating him for an accident to his hand at the doctor's office at the time Mrs. Crowley stated she heard Adams in the room of the deceased and W. A. Bennetts testified that he was in to see Boichegrain at that time and Adams was not there; Jacob Surface testified that his father was at the Bank at that time; Adams and Surface testified that they were not in the room of Boichegrain's that afternoon at all; Mayes testified that the room Mrs. Crowley claimed she was in was always kept locked and the key in the office and that the plastered walls between the two rooms were too thick to hear an ordinary conversation.

Mrs. Crowley further said that she repeated to Mrs. John Tuohy and Mrs. Martha Jarvis what she heard; both these ladies took the stand and denied her statements in toto.

A letter was also introduced in evidence written by Mrs. Crowley, who lives at Stockton, to J. W. Surface at Ione, which reads as follows:

STOCKTON, Oct. 21, 1900.

Mr. Surface—Lawyer Brun has written me that he will come



**Greasing the Wheels.**  
A Russian paper gives an interesting insight into the way they do things on the Siberian railway.

A merchant recently sent a carload of fruit from Irkutsk to Chita. The railway charges were 170 rubles, but the tips to railway officials amounted to 120 rubles more.

Tipping, or "greasing," as it is called in Siberia, is a tax from which no patron of the railway is exempt.

In the case mentioned the first station master told the merchant that the loaded car was "stuck," or disabled, and would have to be side tracked for repairs.

"How long will it take to make the repairs?" the merchant asked.  
"Oh, a week at least," was the answer.

The merchant started, for a week's delay meant the spoiling of his cargo, and, besides, it was ordered for immediate delivery. But when the fruit dealer had shipped 10 or 15 rubles into the official's hand the latter found that the car was well enough to travel.

At the next station the car fell ill again and had to be restored to health in the same manner, and this process was repeated every time the train stopped.

Local merchants have become used to this "greasing" business and simply add the amount to the price of their wares, so that the consumer pays the freight and the tips as well.

**Money in Solved Lined.**  
"It is astonishing how careless people are about sending clothes to a laundry without first searching them for money and jewelry," said the manager of a laundry the other day. "Yesterday a woman sent a bundle of dresses here, and in the pocket of one was \$100 in bills. We never search clothing for valuables. The dresses were put in the washing machine, soap and water put in, and after the machine had been running half an hour it was opened, and the man in charge was astonished to see paper money floating around on the water. The bills had in some manner worked out of the pocket of the dress, and, strange to say, not one of them was torn. We ran the money through the drying machine and then ironed each bill carefully. After we got through you could not have told that the money had been in a laundry washing machine for half an hour. We sent for the woman, and when she came to the laundry she had not yet missed her money."

"Not long ago a man sent some shirts to our laundry from the bosom of one of which he forgot to remove a diamond stud worth \$150. Our people did not see the diamond, and we did not find it until he called us up and made known his loss. Then I put my men to searching, and we found the diamond in the catch basin in the sewer."—New York Mail and Express.

**Reading Matter For The Duke.**  
There was an amusing incident in connection with the late Duke of Edinburgh's Australian tour. He accepted an invitation to visit a wealthy squatter, on whose estate excellent shooting was to be had. The squatter was a self-made man, entirely unacquainted with book learning and absolutely innocent of reading tastes. In making preparations for the duke's visit it was suddenly discovered that the furnishing of the library had been completely overlooked. There was no time to be lost, and so the squatter sat down and dispatched the following telegram to the leading Melbourne bookseller: "Send one ton of books. Immediate delivery."

The bookseller was staggered at the receipt of such a wholesale and unconventional order, but as the signature of the sender would be honored by any Melbourne bank on a check for six figures he kept his staff working on the job until the small hours of the morning, and the ton of miscellaneous literature was happily shipped before the arrival of the duke.—London Chronicle.

**Novel Chinese Clock.**  
It must be conceded that in some qualities of primitive but practical resourcefulness the Chinese are ahead of most civilized nations. All travelers agree that if in a district where clocks and watches are unknown you ask a Chinaman the time of day he will, if well disposed, at once proceed to amuse and capture the household cat, and after pushing up the lids and looking for a moment into its eyes he will tell the time with astonishing accuracy. The explanation is a simple physiological one. The pupils of the cat's eyes constantly contract until midday, when they become like a fine line, as thin as a hair, drawn perpendicularly across the eyes. After 12 they begin again to dilate. It is to be hoped that if the practice is ever introduced into this country watches and clocks will continue to be made, as there will probably be many who will not care to run after a cat whenever they want to know the hour or who may fear some danger to their own eyes from too close an examination of hers.

**Made Fat by Water.**  
There is a six foot laundryman in Norristown who weighs 300 pounds. It is his own fault.

"When I was 15," he will explain and say, "I was like a lead pencil. A thin fellow you never saw. I heard then that if I wished to get fat I need only to drink, morning and evening, as much water as I could hold. I wanted very badly to get fat, so I began this water treatment. A pint or so was at first my limit, and even that wouldicken me, but as time passed my capacity became greater. Soon I could drink two or three quarts, and in time I could as easily drink a gallon. Well, the result was excellent. I took on flesh at a great rate. I got too, so that I enjoyed my long night and morning drinks. I would look forward to my gallon drink all through the day. When, after seven years, I had reached the nice weight of 170 pounds, I decided to stop the treatment. But, alas, I couldn't. The long habit had grown too strong. It had made me a slave. And ever since I have been drinking night and morning a gallon of water—I do enjoy it so—and every year I taken on from 15 to 20 pounds. Finally, I guess, I'll bust."—Philadelphia Record.

**How He Got It.**  
Mrs. Ashburn—What makes Mr. Modlin so sick?  
Mrs. Modlin—Oh, he was out last night drinking somebody's health.—Town Topics.

"In de case ob er good many men," remarked Uncle Ephie, "de lung power in no indication ob de brain power."—Colorado Springs Gazette.

The only proper place for the practical joker is the "dangerous" ward of an insane asylum.—Philadelphia Gazette.

**Garriek and Murphy.**  
Conferring the "freedom of the playhouse" on playwrights and men of letters was common in Garriek's day, and without doubt the good natured manager was often pestered for the same favor by persons who had no such claim. It was evidently Garriek's custom to give tickets of admission, permanent orders, to those whom he desired to honor. It is recorded that the Irish writer, Murphy, annoyed at what he thought ill treatment or neglect, returned the ticket with the words, "As I do not foresee any further occasion for this obliging passport, I am not willing to trespass too long upon your civility."

Garriek's answer was such as to reflect the greatest possible credit upon himself: "If you choose to relinquish your right to the freedom of Drury Lane playhouse, you certainly will do as you please. But without the ticket, I imagine, Mr. Murphy will find the doors open to him, as usual, and be further known to you, sir, than as I thought you were above an undue influence never meant the ticket as the least tie upon the liberty of your pen or conversation."

It may be safely inferred that Garriek presented the same permanent passport to his gruff but faithful friend, Dr. Johnson. It is hardly too much to say that the great player's generosity was as apt as his acting, and his acting was probably such as the world has never surpassed.

**How Foxes Get Rid of Fleas.**  
By an old hunter and naturalist of local repute a story has been told here confirming as absolutely true and trust worthy the published account, which has had few believers until now, of how foxes rid themselves of fleas. The fox, according to the book narrative simply backs slowly into a stream of water with a portion of the pelt of a rabbit in his mouth after the fox has made a meal off the rabbit. The water drives the fleas first up the fox's legs and then toward his head and finally out on the piece of rabbit fur, and then the fox drops the fur, and his pests are done for.

The local hunter and naturalist referred to, strange to say, had never heard or read this story when he told of the actions of the fox which he observed in the waters of the Patuxent river. The little animal, he stated, backed into the river slowly, and with much deliberation that he wondered what it meant. It carried something—he did not know what—in its mouth and dropped the something when out in deep water. Then the fox hurried away. The object left floated near to the observer, and he hauled it ashore with a stick. Fleas literally swarmed through the object, which was found to be a bit of raw rabbit fur. The observer had a puzzling mystery explained to him. He says his admiration for the shrewdness of the fox grows more and more as he grows older and learns his ways.—Baltimore Sun.

**It Troubled the Customer.**  
"A funny thing occurred here the other day," said a barber as he was putting the finishing touches on a hair cut. "A fellow came in to be shaved who was somewhat under the influence of intoxicants. He took his place in the chair, and all proceeded well till I had shaved one side of his face, when he stopped me."

"Hold on," he cried. "I want this thing 'splained.'"

"I asked him what was the matter, and he replied: 'There's a fly on my cheek, and you have shaved the lather and whiskers off, but the fly didn't move. Now, what's the mazzar with him?'"

"I told him there was no fly on him, but he pointed to the mirror and said: 'You think I can't see a fly. I ain't so drunk that I can't see a fly.'"

"I turned to the glass, and there stood the fly on the mirror and in such a position that from my customer's range of vision it seemed to be on his cheek. He afterward said that he had felt that fly tickling him all the time and wondered how I could shave him and not cut his legs off."—London Tit-Bits.

**Wants a Diagram.**  
"That Fuddithwait girl makes the fattest remarks of anybody I ever saw. And people laugh at them too. I can't understand it. It must be because she has no money."

"What's she been saying now?"  
"I was telling her the other evening that my parents had 13 children."

"Well, she looked at me awhile and said, 'Oh, are you the thirteenth? Then everybody snickered. Now, will you kindly tell me what there was funny about that?'"—Chicago Times-Herald.

**History's Notorious Fault.**  
"I must insist," declared Diana, who was the acknowledged leader of the Olympian Woman's Suffrage party, "that the purity of the ballot would be conserved by allowing us to vote."

"Nonsense," protested Mercury, leader of the opposition. "You wouldn't be able to control the Muse of History. She's a natural born repeater."—Philadelphia Press.

**A Dramatic Measure.**  
A Spanish magistrate, shocked by the extent of the food adulteration, issued a proclamation, afame with righteous wrath, that "all wines, groceries and provisions which upon analysis are proved to be injurious to health will be confiscated forthwith and distributed to the different charitable institutions."—Woman's Journal.

**One of Webster's Drinks.**  
"Daniel Webster," said a Boston man, "as all the world knows, had a penchant for looking on wine when it was gloved rosy red. At one time he was driving to Cambridge from Boston. He was billed to make a speech at the home of Harvard, and his companion in the old fashioned gig was a member of the reception committee and a resident of the town."

"On the way to Cambridge Mr. Webster turned to his fellow traveler with an inquiry whether there was not some place in the neighborhood where they could obtain a drink. 'If you will drive a short distance out of your way to my house,' was the courteous response. 'I think I can promise you as good a drink of Jamaica rum as you ever tasted.'"

"To the house the twain accordingly journeyed, and once there the host true to his promise, set before the statesman a decanter of extremely fine rum. The great Massachusetts senator poured out a brimming beaker and quaffed it off without wincing. His host tentatively pushed toward him the water jug, but Senator Webster after eying it a moment said: 'Thank you, no. I wanted a drink, but I am not thirsty.' He then went on to Cambridge and delivered one of his masterly efforts."

**THE ENGAGEMENT RING.**  
**Peculiar Ways in Which It Causes a Young Woman to Act.**

Did you ever have a chance to observe under the influence of a young woman's conduct toward her newly acquired engagement ring?

It feels so strange upon her hand that she cannot refrain from examining it a dozen times an hour, always, however, on the sly. On the first night she sits up an hour later than usual to admire it boldly in the seclusion of her own apartment. A frequent kiss is administered to the shining band and its glittering seam, and during the night she dreams that it has fallen into a stream and awakes clutching the finger to assure herself that the precious pledge is still secure.

Then, on the following day, she wears it only in secret, taking care to transfer it to her pocket at table and when in the company of intimates, but place her among strangers or among casual acquaintances who cannot be inquisitive, and how bravely will she daunt the tempter before her eyes, as one who should say:

"I may not be the loveliest creature in the world but you will observe that I have landed my fish."

Gradually it assumes its place in her daily life, and her blushes grow less violent with each succeeding explanation of its significance and each extravagant description of its donor's attributes. But before it finally becomes a part of herself, as it were, she must, of course, leave it a dozen times at least upon the washstand and suffer in consequence a dozen violent attacks of palpitation of the heart until it is recovered.—London Answers.

**Might Grow in Kentucky.**  
Samuel R. Ireland, a lawyer and raconteur—by choice the latter—of Washington, is responsible for this story about a genial and ingenious old preacher who lived in the Methodist Episcopal Church South who was a townsman of his back in Kentucky, relates the New York Telegraph. When he appeared in Mr. Ireland's offices at Washington one day, the lawyer was cordial to the old preacher, took him to all the interesting places of the capital and in the evening had him to dine at the home of a lady in the official circle who would rather decorate her table with quaint, homely characters than with notable ones. Spaghetti was one of the dishes served, and the old man took to it with amazing celerity. Put very much at his ease by the gracious ways of his hostess, he asked for and polished off another plateful of the Italian paste.

Sighing contentedly as he finished, he remarked:

"I wish, ma'am, you'd tell me what's the name of that dish I've just been eating."

"That's spaghetti, elder," said the hostess, "an Italian dish."

"So?" said the elder. "Well, it's real good, and I wish before I go you'd give me some of the seed. Chances are that we can grow the stuff in Kentucky."

**A Long Bath.**  
A man who is a lawyer and a journalist in one of the smaller inland cities of Ohio tells of an uncle he has in the region of Massillon. This relative is one of the pious members of a small community and, being possessed of considerable executive ability, has been for more than 20 years the superintendent of a thriving Sunday school. His besetting sin, if it might be called such, is his propensity to exaggerate stories in order to make them interesting to his auditors.

Some time ago he was telling his lawyer-journalist nephew of how he cured himself of the ague. It was several years ago, and, having tried every remedy in vain, he at last consulted an old Indian doctor, who advised him, he says, to go down to the creek each morning immediately on rising and sit in the cold water up to his chin. He was to sit there one minute the first morning and then double the time each day for 20 days. The uncle says he followed the prescription and was cured.

The nephew, who happens to be of a calculating turn of mind, figured out how long his uncle would stay in his cold bath on the twentieth day. He found that the last treatment would last a few days over six months.—Cleveland Leader.

**A Jacket of Many Garments.**  
Although Gordon declined to accept the bow's of gold offered him by the Chinese emperor after the suppression of the Taiping rebellion, yet he consented to receive the yellow jacket, a distinction limited to 12 wearers, who constitute the imperial bodyguard.

When the presentation of so exalted an oriental order took place, there was a most remarkable ceremony observed by the Celestial grandees commissioned to personally confer the high mark of the emperor's favor.

To Gordon's evident astonishment, the operation of donning the yellow jacket in its entirety was a considerable undertaking, for between two and three hours the great but simple minded soldier was engaged in putting on one suit and taking off another until a most extensive wardrobe had been gone through.

It comprised silk dresses, robes, furs, hats, caps, boots, shoes, girdles, thumb rings of jade and necklaces for all seasons and occasions.

The yellow jacket in its actuality was the last item of the raiment bearing its name in which Gordon was arrayed.—Pearson's Weekly.

**The Picture and the Frame.**  
A well known artist used to tell a good story concerning his first academy picture. He was favored by many visitors to see it, his frame maker among the number. This good fellow took his stand before the work and seemed buried in profound admiration.

"Well," said the painter, "what do you think of it, John?"

"Think of it, sir? Why, it's perfect. You won't see one better, I know. Mr. — has got one just like it."

"What?" said the amazed artist. "A picture just like that?"

"Oh," replied the frame maker, "I wasn't talking about pictures. I was speaking of the frame. You may believe me, sir, it's the frames as gets em in, and that is just a beauty!"

**Wherein They Were Alike.**  
A country painter who, though a poor man, was notoriously defective and hesitating in his style of delivery in the pulpit, was sitting having a cup of tea with one of the old splinters connected with his congregation when he observed that the spout of the teapot was either choked or too narrow.

"Your teapot, Miss Kennedy," he remarked, "disna—disna rin weel."

"Ay, jist like yourself, Mr. Broon," started the nettled lady. "It has an inco pular delivery."

**How Li "Worked" Two Machines.**  
With a seeming innocence that would have done justice to Ab Sin, the Hea-then Chinese, Li Hung Chang appeared to display the greatest interest in the sewing machines at an exhibition in Edinburgh he visited when in Great Britain several years ago.

His excellency's first question was how long it would take for the sewing machine at which he had sat down to do a certain distance—seemingly confusing the mechanical stitcher with a lady's safety at the next stand.

Without waiting for any reply to his query or further ceremony Li started sewing a little seam. Now did he do it only a fact which made him seem delighted as a child. For some time the fiercer continued his hemming and, though got away at length by his attendants, immediately sat down at the next machine and insisted on working it.

"What is the price?" asked Li at length.

"Your excellency shall have it as a gift," was the reply of the exhibitors.

"Then I don't want it in that case," observed the simple and bland Li, "because I require two, one for myself and the other for the empress."

And he had them.

**What the Barber Said.**  
"To shave a man at home," said a barber, "I charge a quarter, but to shave a dead man half a dollar is the price. About a tenth of my private customers are women."

I shave at their houses six or seven women every day. I don't know why it is some women have beards. It is very distressing to them, and they have close and often. It is their only remedy. The electric needle is no good for them, you see, because their beards are so thick that it would take a lifetime for the operator to go over their faces and pluck each hair out separately, as must be done in the electric depilating system.

Beards only grow on old women. They are one of the feminine disfigurements of age. It is the same trouble, I suppose, as that which affects old men. Old men, you know, have thick growths of hair in their nostrils and ears that must be cut out weekly, and their eyebrows if not regularly trimmed would grow to two or three inches.—Philadelphia Record.

**She Was "Founded."**  
Netta was a little girl who lived in a foundling asylum, a place where homeless children without relatives are cared for.

A visitor who often came to the foundling had taken a great fancy to Netta. It was the birthday of Muriel, the lady's little girl, and permission was asked for Netta to take tea with Muriel.

As it was Muriel's birthday Netta wished to be very nice to her. At the same time Netta felt she had an advantage over Muriel, for it was not every one who lived in a foundling hospital.

"You were born, Muriel?" she asked. Muriel nodded and smiled.

Up went Netta's head a little higher. "It is so common to be born," she said. "I was founded!"—Exchange.

**A Village of Lunatics.**  
Laos, in Cochinchina, is, according to Dr. Lefevre, a village of out and out fools or lunatics. A common form of mania with them is to believe they have a buffalo in the stomach. Hopeless cases of this delusion, or "pipop," as they are called, are thrown into the water and if they save themselves are accounted free from the possession.

**The Ladies' Gallery.**  
It is not perhaps generally known that an order for the withdrawal of strangers from the English house of commons does not extend to the ladies' gallery, which is not supposed to be within the house. Ladies can therefore only be informed of the subject of debate and left to withdraw or not at their own discretion.

**Chance For Him at Home.**  
A slinger (the eminent pugilist, in a high state of indignation)—He offers me \$5,000 if I'll lay down in the fifth round! I'll show 'em, by George, I'm a gentleman!

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**Two Painters.**  
During a holiday ramble Sir Frederick Leighton came across a little roadside inn, the signboard of which was being somewhat coarsely painted by a local artist. For some little time Sir Frederick watched the progress of the painting, till the rural artist, glancing down, remarked, "It be a foina day, master?"

Leighton assented, adding that a figure on the signboard was out of proportion.

"Where be it out?" asked the ag-grieved artist. "I'm thinkin' yer've summer wrong in yer soight."

"If you get off that ladder, I'll put it right for you," replied the R. A. good humoredly.

"Eh, boot can ye paint?" queried the other doubtfully. "Ye ken I dinna want my work spilt."

"It's all right; I've done a little painting in my time," answered Leighton, as the other clambered down the ladder. Then, taking the palette, he climbed up and commenced to paint and did not desist until he had completed the signboard.

"Er, boot that's nae so bad," was the rural artist's comment. "Art is nae so paying now; still if ye like to do mair work for me, I'll gie ye mair siller than I do as a rule."

"Thanks," replied Sir Frederick dryly. "My name is Leighton."

"Verra pleased to ken ye, Mr. Leighton," replied the man, ignorant of what the name meant. "My name is Tam."—St. James Gazette.

**An Indo-Chinese Venice.**  
The royal palaces of Bangkok form a city in themselves. They consist of several hundred individual palaces, surrounded by magnificent gardens and pagodas. Bangkok is really a city of waters. It is an Indo-Chinese Venice. More people live in floating homes on the Menam, "the Nile of Siam," and in many canals than in permanent buildings.

**A Changed Man.**  
"It's funny how marrying changes a man," said Spriggs' caller.

"Yes," replied Spriggs dreamily. "I used to be that I was devoted to base ball and football and basket ball, and now I give all my spare time to baby's bawl," and he arose hurriedly and went into the adjoining room.—Detroit Free Press.

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